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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2008, having a Shortened Statutory Period for Reply.

The claims of the above-referenced patent application have been amended as provided in a listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this response.

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